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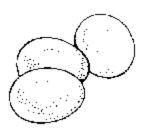
EGG PRODUCTION
MAJOR VEGETABLE PRODUCTION

#### LOUISIANA CHICKEN INVENTORY

The December 1, 1999 chicken inventory totaled 2.63 million head, down 1 percent from the 2.65 million head from the previous year. The class breakdown and percent change from the previous year are as follows: hens and pullets of laying age (HPLA), 1.94 million head, down 3 percent; pullets 3 months old and older, and not of laying age, 295,000 head, down 38 percent; pullets under 3 months of age, 277,000 head, up 191 percent; and other chickens, 116,000 head, up 32 percent.#

#### LOUISIANA EGG PRODUCTION

Layers in Louisiana produced 481 million eggs in 1999, up 1 percent from 1998. Layers on farms averaged 1.92 million head during the year, down 1 percent from the year earlier. Each layer averaged 251 eggs in 1999, 4 eggs more than the 247 eggs per layer in 1998.#



# CHICKENS: TOTAL NUMBER, VALUE PER HEAD AND TOTAL VALUE. DECEMBER 1, 1999 1/

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N	NUMBER		VALUE PER HEAD		TOTAL VALUE			
1998	1999	1998	1999	1998	1999			
1,00	1,000 Head		Dollars		1,000 Dollars			
16,068	16,132	5.20	5.40	86,388	87,113			
23,500	25,773	5.10	5.10	119,850	131,442			
2,650	2,630	2.50	2.80	6,625	7,364			
11,009	11,076	5.60	5.10	61,650	56,488			
5,380	5,380	4.30	5.40	23,134	28,674			
425,045	436, 326	2.69	2.65	1,143,835	1,154,840			
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1/Excludes commercial broilers.

#### ANNUAL LAYERS AND EGG PRODUCTION 1/

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AVERAGE NUMBER		EGGS		TOTAL EGG			
STATE	OF LAYERS		PER LAYER 2/		PRODUCTION		
SIAIL	1998	1999	1998	1999	1998	1999	
	1,00	Number Number		Million Eggs			
Alabama	10,885	10,649	230	230	2,507	2,450	
Arkansas	14,721	15,189	220	228	3,233	3,458	
Louisiana	1,925	1,915	247	251	475	481	
Mississippi	6,776	6,759	230	232	1,555	1,569	
Oklahoma	4,007	4,050	231	233	927	945	
United States	312,035	322,322	255	257	79,690	82,707	

1/Annual estimates cover the period December 1, previous year, through November 30, 1999. 2/Total egg production divided by average number of layers on hand.

**Selected Vegetable Production - Louisiana with Comparisons** 

	Acres I	Acres Harvested		Yield per Acre		Production	
	1998	1999	1998	1999	1998	1999	
			Cwt		1,000 Cwt		
<b>Bell Peppers</b>							
Louisiana	380	320	190	170	72	54	
United States	56,680	58,220	257	263	14,556	15,321	
<b>Tomatoes</b>							
Arkansas	1,400	1,500	240	225	336	338	
Louisiana	260	280	160	140	42	39	
United States	121,710	131,680	268	270	32,628	35,492	
<u>Watermelons</u>							
Arkansas	2,200	2,400	145	115	319	276	
Louisiana	2,000	2,300	110	100	220	230	
Mississippi	3,400	3,200	61	65	207	208	
United States	169,390	175,960	218	235	36,974	41,325	
<u>Strawberries</u>							
Arkansas	180	210	44	52	8	11	
Louisiana	400	400	150	150	60	60	
United States	45,230	45,560	363	398	16,397	18,126	

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